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NCEES unveils new specifications for Agricultural PE exam

NCEES has introduced new specifications for its Agricultural PE exam, effective with the October 2010 exam administration.

Exam specifications indicate knowledge areas to be tested and their relative weights of emphasis. As the developer of the exams used for engineering licensure in the United States, NCEES periodically conducts surveys of licensed engineers working in industry, government, private practice, and academia to gather information about the knowledge and skills required of professionals in a particular discipline. NCEES uses the results to update its exam specifications.

"Our licensing exams need to reflect current professional practice, and these surveys help us determine what an engineer intern with four years of experience should be expected to know to protect the public," said Tim Miller, P.E, the director of exam services at NCEES.

The new specifications are available on the NCEES Web site (www.ncees.org). The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers, which partners with NCEES in developing the exam, is planning to publish updated exam study materials in 2010.

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